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**SUBJECT:** ATVs

**DATE OF MEETING:** August 11, 2005

**PLACE:** Room 714, CPSC Headquarters

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**COMMISSION ATTENDEES:**

Commissioner Nancy A. Nord  
Roy Deppa  
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Suad Nakamura  
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**NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES:**

Hugo Gamarra, Bombardier Recreational Products, Inc. ("BRP")  
Fernando Garcia, BRP  
Yves St. Arnand, BRP  
Rachael Weintraub, Consumer Federation of America

**SUMMARY OF MEETING:**

BRP officials described their company, and how it recently became a separate company from Bombardier, Inc. BRP now manufactures and sells a variety of recreational land and water vehicles. Most of its ATVs sold in the U.S. are manufactured in Canada, and include child-sized models and a number of larger vehicles, particularly several high performance "sport" models.

BRP has also been marketing 2-up ATVs for at least two years. The company's representatives asserted that these vehicles should be fully included in the development and implementation of all safety standards and training and they expressed some frustration that SVIA does not consider 2-ups to be included in the definition of "ATVs."

BRP requires that all purchasers of its 2-up ATVs receive specialized safety training in order to validate the manufacturer's warranty. This training is soon to be provided at SVIA training sites, but heretofore has been provided directly by dealers, who in turn have been provided training materials prepared by BRP. There are approximately 950 such dealer site instructors, who Nick Marchica of the CPSC suggested should continue to be used as a strong asset in ensuring that consumers receive ATV training. The company representatives confirmed that the draft ANSI standard for 2-up vehicles is nearing completion, and suggested that process would be helped greatly by the direct participation of SVIA and continued input by the Commission (which has provided comments on the draft 2-up standards).